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Amicitia semper prodest.

Man is by nature a social being. his habits his wants and desires proclaim him such - to be alone and unnoticed in the World is to want the feeling of enjoyment for any pleasures - it is by sharing with others that we increase our happiness. It is by throwing a part of our burthens upon their shoulders

conversation of Study or
any little engagements of
common life all receive
a finer colouring from its
charms. Friends in a Desert
will not feel the want of
Society - surrounded by
the World they can find
higher enjoyments in mutual
communications - in every
possible situation their
attentions will be productive
of pleasure.

Friendship like all
the better ~~feelings~~ sentiments of the human
heart is balanced on a just
medium of feeling it is so
that calm and placid
nature that it sheds it
a bright sun shine about

our lives ~~without even~~ meliorates the harsher passions and raises in the bosom kindly feelings towards all our species the advantages of Friendship says Lord Bacon are twofold for firstly if one have a true friend he multiplies his own joys by imparting them to him - and secondly in care and sorrow he distributes himself of half his trouble by confiding them to his friend - they who are fortunate in Friendship will feel the truth of these sentiments every hour of their lives - they will find it enlivening even the common place occurrences of the day while to those of a higher character it will give a more brilliant effect a more delicate finishing - If great is the

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souls discover the springs
& motives of our Action
and bring down our inno
most thoughts to the test
of criticism we may disa
our opinions at large
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and gather new convictio
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this branch we may fa
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principles of Morality an
religion - as they are sub

jects particularly calculated for the times of which we speake. the heart is softened then when to the finer feelings the mind then receives & retains truths & owns the full force of conviction at other times we are often steeled against it we are armed with a stupid obstinacy which prevents our listening to the voice of reason but there is no time when the heart is colde to the attentions of a friend when the ear is shut to his instruction or the mind too rigid to improve by them

Friendship can soften the difference between ranks in life and join in unitedness the young with the old but it is among people of the same Nation and similar ages

that it seems properly to
arise yet wherever Admi
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or similar results

If then friendship
is so necessary to our
happiness if it produces
such admirable effects
upon our hearts and or
minds can there be any
thing more worthy than
itself of our cultivation
any thing whose dicta
we may more safely
follow.-

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